RESOLUTION NO. 2021-251R

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS AGAINST ANTISEMITISM AND HATE CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST JEWISH PEOPLE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, antisemitism is a form of racism, religious prejudice, and centuries-old bigotry faced by Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Federal Bureau of Investigation found that attacks against Jewish people and their institutions made up 60.3 percent of all religious-based hate crimes; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to ensure the safety and security of Jewish communities, including synagogues, schools, cemeteries, and other institutions; and

WHEREAS, each individual has the ability to promote inclusiveness, celebrate diversity, support all fellow community members, and reject hate and bias in all forms; and

WHEREAS, all persons are encouraged to report any such antisemitic incidents to the proper authorities for investigation; and

WHEREAS the City of San Marcos formally denounces antisemitism and affirms its commitment to the well-being and safety of its Jewish community members;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN MARCOS, TEXAS:

- **PART 1.** City of San Marcos is committed to protecting its residents against antisemitism, promptly investigating instances of hate crimes against Jewish people in our community, and supporting the efforts of the Hays County District Attorney to aggressively prosecute those responsible for such crimes and hold them accountable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- **PART 2.** This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED on December 7, 2021.

Jane Hughson Mayor Attest:

Tammy K. Cook Interim City Clerk